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To amend section 424 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 to modify the requirements for minimum property standards regarding individual residential water purification and treatment units for properties subject to mortgages insured under the single-family housing mortgage insurance program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BEREUTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Banking and Financial Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “FHA Water Purifi-
5 cation Standards Amendments Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPROVAL OF POINT-OF-USE PURIFICATION SYS-**
2 **TEMS AND TESTING OF SYSTEMS.**

3 Section 424 of the Housing and Community Develop-
4 ment Act of 1987 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-15) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting after the pe-
6 riod at the end the following new sentence: “The
7 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall
8 provide for the approval under subsection (c) of both
9 point-of-use and point-of-entry water treatment
10 equipment and water purification systems that meet
11 the standards established under this section.”;

12 (2) in the first sentence of subsection (b), by
13 striking “general standards recognized by the De-
14 partment as modified for local or regional condi-
15 tions” and inserting the following: “standards for
16 testing using (1) industry-accepted product testing
17 protocols, or (2) protocols that utilize technically
18 valid methodology using analytical testing methods
19 of the Environmental Protection Agency for drinking
20 water quality and maximum contaminant levels or
21 equivalent methods.”;

22 (3) by redesignating subsection (b) (as amended
23 by paragraph (2) of this section) as subsection (c);
24 and

25 (4) by inserting after subsection (a) the follow-
26 ing new subsection:

1 “(b) POINT-OF-USE EQUIPMENT.—For any property
2 in which the water treatment or purification system in op-
3 eration employs point-of-use equipment, the Secretary
4 may not require that a treatment or purification system
5 be employed on any water supply source serving the prop-
6 erty that provides water that will not be used primarily
7 for human consumption.”.

8 **SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.**

9 The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
10 shall issue any regulations necessary to carry out section
11 424 of the Housing and Community Development Act of
12 1987, as amended by section 2 of this Act, not later than
13 the expiration of the 6-month period beginning on the date
14 of the enactment of this Act.

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